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RR RECONSTRUCTION ALMOST COMPLETE

MAIN LINES OPEN FOR THROUGH TRAFFIC -- Wen-hui Pao, 12 Dec 49

The railroad reconstruction program in China is now nearly completed, and all but a few lines south of the Ch'ang Chiang (Yangtze River) are now open for normal traffic.

In North China, lines and sections now open for through traffic are the Pei-Ning line (Pei-p'ing to Shen-yang), the P'ing-Sui line (Pei-p'ing to Pao-t'ou), the Ching-P'u line (T'ien-ching to P'u-k'ou), the Shih-Te line (Te-hsien to Shih-men), and the Cheng-T'ai line (Cheng-ting to T'ai-yuan). The P'ing-Han line (Pei-p'ing to Han-k'ou) is open for traffic from Pei-p'ing south to Shih-chia-chuang. The rest of the line is expected to be opened by the end of 1949.

South of the Ch'ang Chiang, lines now open for traffic are the Che-Kan line (Hang-chow to P'ing-hsiang), the Ching-Ru line (Nan-ching to Shang-hai), the Hu-Kang-Yung line (Shang-hai to Yung-hsien), and the Kuang-Chiu line (Kuang-chow to Chiu-lung). Those not yet completely open but expected to be opened by the end of 1949 are the Lung-Hai line (Lien-yun to Lan-chow), the T'ung-P'u line (Ta-t'ung to Feng-ling-tu), and the Yueh-Han line (Han-k'ou to Kuang-chow).

The 1950 railroad reconstruction plan calls for construction of the T'ung-T'ang line (Ta-t'ung in Shansi to T'ang-ku in Hopeh), construction of double tracks along the Pei-Ning line, restoration of the line from Chin-chou through Ch'eng-te to Ku-pei-k'ou completion of the Tung-Chin line (Tung-kuan to Chin-ch'eng), Pao-Ning line (Pao-t'ou to Ning-hsia) and T'ien-Lan line (T'ien-shu' to Lan-chou).

The railroad lines in Northeast China are now controlled by four branch bureaus of the Northeast Railroad Administration: the North Manchuria Bureau, East Manchuria Bureau, West Manchuria Bureau and the South Manchuria Bureau.

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The North Manchuria Bureau controls the Ha-erh-pin line (Ha-erh-pin to Man-chou-li), the Pin-Pei line (Ha-erh-pin to Pei-an), the Ha-Sui line (Ha-erh-pin to Sui-fen-ho via Mu-tan-chiang), the Pin-Ch'ang line (Ha-erh-pin to Ch'ang-ch'un), the La-pin line (Ha-erh-pin to La-fa), the Sui-Chia line (Sui-tua to Chia-mu-ssu), the Ch'i-Pei line (Ch'i-ch'i-ha-erh to Pei-an), and the Ning-Nun line (Sui-ning Station on the Ch'i-Pei line to Nun-chiang).

The East Manchuria Bureau controls the Mu-Chia line (Mu-tan-chiang to Chia-mu-ssu), the Lin-Tung line (Lin-k'ou to Tung-an), the Mu-T'u line (Mu-tan-chiang to T'u-men), and the T'u-Ch'ang line (T'u-men to Ch'ang-ch'un via T'ung-hua and Chi-lin).

The West Manchuria Bureau controls the Ch'i-P'ing line (Ch'i-ch'i-ha-erh to Ssu-p'ing via Pai-ch'eng-tu and Cheng-chia-t'un), the Pai-Ch'ang line (Pai-ch'eng-tzu to Ch'ang-ch'un), the Pai-A line (Pai-ch'eng-tzu to A-erh-shan), the Ta-T'ung line (Cheng-chia-t'un to Ta-hu-shan via T'ung-liao and Hsin-li-t'un), and the Liao-Je line (I-hsien to Ch'ih-feng via Yeh-pai-shou).

The South Manchuria Bureau controls the Ssu-Li line (Ssu-pei to Li-an via Hsi-an and T'ung-hua), the T'ung-Lin line (T'ung-hua to Lin-chiang, Chi-lung line (Yung-chi to Hsi-lung), the Shou-Hai line (Hsi-lung to Fu-shun via Mei-ho-k'ou), the An-Ch'i line (An-tung to Pen-ch'i), the southern section of the Chung-Ch'ang line (Ssu-p'ing to P'u-fen-tien via T'ieh-ling, Shen-yang, An-shan, and Wa-fang-tien), and a branch line (Ta-shih-ch'iao to Ying-k'ou).

OTHER RR OPEN -- Wen-hui Pao, 31 Dec 49

Pei-p'ing, 31 December (NCNA) -- The Pei-p'ing--Han-k'ou and Han-k'ou--Kuang-chou lines, which are 1,212 and 1,384 kilometers long, respectively, are now completely repaired. The Pei-p'ing--Han-k'ou line was completed on 12 December 1949, and the Han-k'ou--Kuang-chou line on 27 December 1949. Both of them will be open to traffic beginning 1 January 1950.

The T'ung-F'u line (Ta-t'ung to Feng-ling-tu) in Shansi Province completed repairs between Lin-fen to Feng-ling-tu on 25 December 1949. The opening of the line to traffic from Ling-hsiang, north of T'ai-yuan, to the southern terminal of the line, Feng-ling-tu, has been reported.

CH'UNG-CH'ING HIGHWAYS REPAIRED -- Wen-hui Pao, 23 Dec 49

Ch'ung-ch'ing, 21 December (NCNA) -- The Highway Bureau of the Szechwan Provincial government reports that so far repairs on the following sections of highways have been completed: Ch'ung-ch'ing to Ch'i-chiang, Ch'ung-ch'ing to Nei-chiang, Ch'ung-ch'ing to Ta-hsien, and sections of the Szechwan-Hunan and Szechwan-Yunnan highways.

Repairs are being made on the Szechwan-Hunan, Szechwan-Kweichow, Ch'ung-ch'ing--Ch'eng-tu, Ch'ung-ch'ing--Han-k'ou, and the Szechwan-Yunnan highways. The total length of these highways is 1,960 kilometers, of which 1,800 kilometers are in Chinese Communist hands.

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